U.S. NATIONAL POLICY ON DISSEMINATION OF INFORMATION TO THE WORLD.

PREAMBLE

The American people for themselves and for peoples and governments associated with them in a world comity, seek to realize the principles of individual human dignity and equality, liberty of thought and expression, justice under the rule of law, and the community's responsibility for and to its members, which are bases of the democratic way of life. The American attempt to attain these ideals is presented to other peoples as an illustration of experience in seeking goals and meeting problems common to all peoples—not as an illustration of national achievement or as a justification of an ideological system.

Therefore: the Government of the United States, determined to protect the integrity of its political and social structure and to maintain the liberties of mankind inviolate from enshapement and political subversion, and in order to insure international tranquility, and promote the general welfare of the World; fully recognizing in keeping with the United Nations Charter that armed force shall not be used, save in the common interest; resolves to combine the use of U.S. government new and information resources to impart throughout the world an intelligent appreciation of the rights of man and the fruits of liberty.

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MOISSIM

- a. To assist in counteracting the deleterious influence of an ideology alien to the democratic way-of-life;
- <u>b</u>. To sustain the morale of countries threatened with enslavement, or political subversion;
- c. To cooperate in sustaining the morale of friendly nations;
- d. To maintain friendly attitudes of the peoples of the world toward the United States.

This MISSION IS accomplished by:

The planned use of any measure, exclusive of armed conflict, designed to influence the thought, morale, or becavious of the peoples of the world in such a way as to support the accomplishment of U.S. national aims in keeping with the United Nations Charter.

FUNCTIONS

In order to insure prompt and effective implementation of any measure through the use of U.S. government mass communications media, the Department of State, supported by government departments, activities, and agencies, will employ fully all existing government property and facilities in making the democratic way-of-life intelligible and understandable to the peoples of the world. The planned use of such measures ideluce:

a. Introduction within populations metivated by alie:

ideologies, of interests, habits of living, emotional Approved For Release 2004/01/15: CIA-RDP80R01731R003500200022-2

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attachments, and such forms of social or economic activity as are consistent with the principles of freedom and the rights of man.

- f. The use of communication media to modify the beliefs or opinions held by alien populations which threaten
 world peace or the liberties of other peoples; and to
 carry conviction as to the uselessness of warfare as an
 instrument to gain their national ends;
- emotional responses tending to reduce resistance to a way-of-life consonant with liberty and respect for the rights of the individual.
- d. The use of informational measures to expose the subversive methods used by agents of foreign governments who are engaged in world-wide propagation of an ideology alten to the democratic way-of-life.

The public information and public relations sections of government departments are enjoined to support the Department of State in the conduct of foreign information programs.

In time of war or national emergency the public information sections of the National Military Establishment will be appropriately enlarged to support the accomplishment of national political and military sims in accordance with plans prepared and approved by the Joint Chiefs of Staff under the policy guidance of the National Security Council.